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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Noriyuki TANIMOTO et al.

Via facsimile 703-746-4060

Application No. 10/647,435

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For CLOSED-HEAT DECOMPOSING APPLIANCE, PRETREATMENT METHOD OF SAMPLE USING IT, ANALYTICAL METHOD AND DEVICE THEREFOR

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW BEFORE FIRST ACTION ON THE MERITS

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Sir:

Entry of the instant amendment, transmitted by facsimile, is requested before calculating the filing fee for the subject application.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

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